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HONGKONG, 21st January, 1903.

The state of semi-war still prevailing in Venezuela, while the preparations for arbitration unaccountably drag on, must be very unsatisfactory for all the nations concerned. It is some weeks now since we learned the mixed feelings entertained in England about the Anglo-German armed intervention, and we have also been aware some time ago of the disapproval of a portion of the Press of the United States. We quoted recently from a San Francisco paper certain remarks on the right of South American States to default, which, though not demanding to be taken too seriously, at least could not be altogether disregarded. The home papers which reached Hongkong by the last mail show that there has really been considerable dissent from the action of our Government in acting toward Venezuela as it has. The sinking by the Germans of some of the Venezuelan fleet provoked a fairly general protest, while a part of the London Press went still further in its condemnation of the joint action of Britain and Germany. It was pointed out that if, as Lord LANSBOWE himself admitted in his speech of the 12th December, Venezuela has suffered one hundred and four revolutions in seventy years, then the capitalists and traders who ventured their money in the country had at least ample warning of the risks run by them, and that there is no reason for supposing that the revolutionary habit will be cured by an intervention, after the hundred-and-fourth revolution, which in deference to the "MONROE doctrine" (so politely treated by Britain and Germany alike) must be quite temporary. Granted that arbitration is at last satisfactorily

arranged and hostilities cease, still, as one of the London evening journals points out, we may be quite sure that as soon as the Europeans are off the scene the American bagman will be on the scene to point out the extreme inconvenience of doing trade with Germans and British and the corresponding advantages of an exclusive American commerce. Therefore, even if the allies should gain by arbitration all they ask for, it is not they who would stand to win in the long run, but their most enterprising rivals. Moreover, should the dispute, as is stated to be probable, be settled at Washington and should Venezuela profit in any way, there will be the additional feeling of gratitude to induce the Venezuelans to encourage the American rather than the British or German speculator in future. The responsible people in the United States have certainly shown their wisdom in keeping quiet over the Venezuelan affair. The turbulent republic will at least have been taught a lesson by the Anglo-German action, and this will be of advantage to the States, who have not incurred the loss of a single cent over the business. Also, without having to put it to the test whether the MONROE doctrine is more than a well-sounding theory, they will have inspired grateful feelings in Venezuela and her sympathizers. In every way the affair must be considered excellent business for the United States.

THOUGH the currency question continues to excite the utmost interest in so many quarters of the world, including most places of importance in the East, it does not seem as if in Hongkong anyone is at present ready to come forward on behalf of the gold standard. Writing six days ago on this subject we pointed out that there is far from being any universal acceptance of the Royal Asiatic Society at Shanghai on the 15th inst. As his subject was "Macao," it is needless to say that our former fellow-resident's paper was much appreciated.

The Secretary of the Medical Missionary Society, writes to us from Canton, regretting that by error in the list of Vice-Presidents of the Society in the report which we published in our issue of Monday the names of Messrs. G. D. Fearn, R. Shewan, and J. J. Koswick were omitted.

There was a great fire in Tientsin native city on the 10th inst., in the Kung Pei quarter. The fire was about a third of a mile long and some 200 yards, or more wide. A generous estimate of the damage is Tls. 4,000,000, but there was only insurance in foreign offices to the extent of Tls. 65,000.

There was launched on the 15th inst. from Mr. R. A. Ord's Hongkew ship-building yard, Yangtsepo, Shanghai, one of three handsome pontoons which Mr. Ord is now building for Messrs. Butterfield and Swire's Footong wharves. The dimensions of the structure are 180 feet by 28 feet by 6 feet.

According to a statement in the *Peking and Tientsin Times*, there appears to be some foundation for the statement that the Chinese Court is contemplating the enforced adoption of European clothes by Chinese officials. This is an instance of the absurdities perpetrated in the name of reform. Meanwhile the real reforms, of course, are not carried out.A despatch dated Peking, 14th February, to the *N.C. Daily News* says:—The Ching Ling railway, which the Empress Dowager ordered to be built in readiness for the visit of the Court of the Wester Tomba, has now proceeded as far as the practical completion of the earthworks, and 1,500 men of H.E. Yuan Shikai's troops are distributed along the line.Lady Berkley, wife of Sir H. S. Berkley, K.C., Attorney-General, arrived in the Colony yesterday from Australia by the *Kasuga Maru*, accompanied by her three daughters and son.

A Chinaman fell into the water near the Canton steamer wharf on Monday night, and was rescued by an Indian constable, who secured himself with a rope and jumped into the water after the man.

Owing to the inconvenient position of the reporters' table in the Supreme Court, the Attorney-General, we understand, intends to ask permission to have it removed to behind the counsels' table. It is to be hoped that this will be done.

An official announcement has been received in Shanghai that the China Medal, 1900, has been granted to the members of the Shanghai Volunteer Corps on the rolls in that year. The Hongkong Volunteer Corps, which saw just as much of the fighting, is not to receive the medal.

On Monday evening next a dramatic and musical recital in aid of the Sailors' and Soldiers' Institute, Kowloon, will be given in the Institute. Mrs. Ainsworth, a graduate of the Boston (U.S.A.) School of Oratory and formerly a leading member of Daly's Theatre of London and New York, has kindly volunteered to give eight recitations, comprising the dramatic, heroic and humorous, and she will be assisted by some of the best musical talent of Hongkong. Tickets can be had at the Institute or at the Robinson Piano Co.

We notice that the Rt. Rev. Bishop of Victoria has been addressing some remarks recently to the Society for the Promotion of Christian Knowledge in London. The following will be of interest to the Cathedral Seafarers (who, by the way, will meet next Tuesday):—His (the Bishop's) desire was that the work of the Church in Hongkong should be self-supporting, so far as concerned the European. There were some 4,000 merchants and others, and the military and naval establishments doubled this number. The Cathedral Chaplains were paid for by the congregation, and the Seafarers' Mission clergy, who were also labouring among seafarers. A good work was being carried on, and it was practically self-supporting.

to the ice, all steam communication with Chemulpo was closed last week.

Staying at the Hongkong Hotel just now with his family is Mr. Vickers, of Vickers, Sons, and Maxim fame.

Extensive manoeuvres of the U.S. Asiatic fleet have been taking place in Subic Bay. The heavy guns of the fleet were not used, however.

The U.S. army transports *Sherman* and *Burnside* are coming to Hongkong and Shanghai respectively for repairs which cannot be carried out in Manila.Mr. L. A. M. Johnston, our new Post-master passes through Singapore by a P. & O. steamer early in February, according to the *Free Press* of that port.The *Manila American* in a recent issue spoke editorially of "John Chamberlain, the head of England's Colonial Office." We should have thought that the name of "Jo" was historical by now.

News has been received of the death of the Rev. D. C. Rankin, D.D., at Pyongyang, Korea, on 27th December. He succumbed to an attack of acute paumonia after a brief illness.

The last of the ten cruisers ordered from Messrs. S. C. Farnham, Boyd and Co., of Shanghai, for the Philippine Insular Government, the *Tablas*, successfully completed her trial on the 13th inst. and was expected to sail for Manila early this week.

Mr. C. A. Montalvo de Jesus, who left this Colony not many months ago, read a paper before the Royal Asiatic Society at Shanghai on the 15th inst. As his subject was "Macao," it is needless to say that our former fellow-resident's paper was much appreciated.

The Secretary of the Medical Missionary Society, writes to us from Canton, regretting that by error in the list of Vice-Presidents of the Society in the report which we published in our issue of Monday the names of Messrs. G. D. Fearn, R. Shewan, and J. J. Koswick were omitted.

There was a great fire in Tientsin native city on the 10th inst., in the Kung Pei quarter. The fire was about a third of a mile long and some 200 yards, or more wide. A generous estimate of the damage is Tls. 4,000,000, but there was only insurance in foreign offices to the extent of Tls. 65,000.

There was launched on the 15th inst. from Mr. R. A. Ord's Hongkew ship-building yard, Yangtsepo, Shanghai, one of three handsome pontoons which Mr. Ord is now building for Messrs. Butterfield and Swire's Footong wharves. The dimensions of the structure are 180 feet by 28 feet by 6 feet.

According to a statement in the *Peking and Tientsin Times*, there appears to be some foundation for the statement that the Chinese Court is contemplating the enforced adoption of European clothes by Chinese officials. This is an instance of the absurdities perpetrated in the name of reform. Meanwhile the real reforms, of course, are not carried out.A despatch dated Peking, 14th February, to the *N.C. Daily News* says:—The Ching Ling railway, which the Empress Dowager ordered to be built in readiness for the visit of the Court of the Wester Tomba, has now proceeded as far as the practical completion of the earthworks, and 1,500 men of H.E. Yuan Shikai's troops are distributed along the line.Lady Berkley, wife of Sir H. S. Berkley, K.C., Attorney-General, arrived in the Colony yesterday from Australia by the *Kasuga Maru*, accompanied by her three daughters and son.

A Chinaman fell into the water near the Canton steamer wharf on Monday night, and was rescued by an Indian constable, who secured himself with a rope and jumped into the water after the man.

Owing to the inconvenient position of the reporters' table in the Supreme Court, the Attorney-General, we understand, intends to ask permission to have it removed to behind the counsels' table. It is to be hoped that this will be done.

An official announcement has been received in Shanghai that the China Medal, 1900, has been granted to the members of the Shanghai Volunteer Corps on the rolls in that year. The Hongkong Volunteer Corps, which saw just as much of the fighting, is not to receive the medal.

On Monday evening next a dramatic and musical recital in aid of the Sailors' and Soldiers' Institute, Kowloon, will be given in the Institute. Mrs. Ainsworth, a graduate of the Boston (U.S.A.) School of Oratory and formerly a leading member of Daly's Theatre of London and New York, has kindly volunteered to give eight recitations, comprising the dramatic, heroic and humorous, and she will be assisted by some of the best musical talent of Hongkong. Tickets can be had at the Institute or at the Robinson Piano Co.

We notice that the Rt. Rev. Bishop of Victoria has been addressing some remarks recently to the Society for the Promotion of Christian Knowledge in London. The following will be of interest to the Cathedral Seafarers (who, by the way, will meet next Tuesday):—His (the Bishop's) desire was that the work of the Church in Hongkong should be self-supporting, so far as concerned the European.

There were some 4,000 merchants and others, and the military and naval establishments doubled this number. The Cathedral Chaplains were paid for by the congregation, and the Seafarers' Mission clergy, who were also labouring among seafarers. A good work was being carried on, and it was practically self-supporting.

TELEGRAMS.

"DAILY PRESS" SERVICE.

SOUTH AFRICA.

[FROM OUR SPECIAL CORRESPONDENT.]

LONDON, 19th January, 8.45 p.m.

MR. CHAMBERLAIN'S SCHEME.

The Ministerialists applaud Mr. Chamberlain's settlement of South African affairs, although they admit that the Rand's contribution is proportionately small.

THE NAVY AND TAXATION.

The Standard, referring to a suggestion from Johannesburg to purchase warships out of the war contribution, advocates rather the relief of taxation.

THE CHINESE IMMIGRATION QUESTION.

There is outspoken sympathy expressed

in Australia with the whites in the Transvaal who are protesting against the introduction of Chinese labourers into the mines.

REUTER'S SERVICE.

LONDON, 18th January.

THE OVER-SEAS LINER.

The *St. Louis* has arrived safely at New York. The delay in her arrival was caused by storms, and the average speed was only nine knots. The passengers at an indignation meeting passed resolutions censuring the Company for allowing them to embark on a steamer with leaky boilers. The management declares that there was nothing in the condition of the boilers to prevent a normal passage.

AUSTRIA.

The Austrian Reichsrath adjourned at 5 p.m. after a 54-hour sitting due to the obstruction of the Czechs, whose tactics are impeding the passage of the Austro-Hungarian arrangement to which the approval of the Austrian Parliament is necessary.

LONDON, 18th January.

MR. CHAMBERLAIN IN SOUTH AFRICA.

At a public banquet at Johannesburg, Mr. Chamberlain said he must consider the interests of the Dutch as well as the British, and that he intended submitting to the Imperial Parliament a bill for guaranteeing a loan of £35,000,000 on the security of the assets of the Transvaal and Orange River Colony, the loan to be used for paying the debts of the Transvaal and for public works in both Colonies. As soon as this loan is issued, another one of £30,000,000, to which the Orange River Colony will not contribute, will be issued on the security of the Transvaal.

THE UNITED STATES NAVY.

The Washington Naval Committee has recommended the construction of three new battleships and one cruiser.

FOOTBALL.

This afternoon on the Happy Valley the Hongkong Football Club will play the Royal Engineers; kick-off at half-past four. The following will play for the Club:—

W. A. Crake, goal; O. T. Barnes and J. W. Bonnar, backs; G. B. Macdonald, C. T. Kew, and E. H. Codlin, halves; W. R. Lemarchand, J. E. Lee, C. R. S. Cooper, G. A. Cooke, and H. C. Austin, forwards.

FIRE IN THE HARBOUR.

The spectacle of a burning junk being towed across the harbour by a couple of launches, while a third towed a floating engine on which were firemen who directed streams of water upon the flames, attracted considerable attention about ten o'clock yesterday morning. The junk, having on board a general cargo, took fire from some cause at present unknown whilst lying off the Harbour Office, and blazed up quickly. From all accounts there was no one aboard at the time, or at least very soon after the outbreak made itself apparent, the only living thing seen being a dog which feared to take to the water and remained on the junk till it was beached at Chungshawan, near Leichikok, when it was persuaded to jump and was hauled in safety into a sampan. Mr. Ed. Jones, of the Harbour Office, had charge of one of the launches which towed the junk from its place amongst the other native craft, which stood in danger of catching fire from the live embers thrown into the air and dropping in all directions, and the other launch was a naval one manned by bluejackets; the launch towing the floating engine of the Fire Brigade was that of Mr. D. Macdonald, engineer of the Brigade. Soon after being beached at Chungshawan an explosion of gunpowder occurred on board the junk, which carried some of the old ordnance, common to native boats of the type. No one was injured by the explosion, which completely wrecked the junk and destroyed the cargo. The damage is stated to be covered by insurance.

HONGKONG DIOCESEAN CHORAL FESTIVAL.

Last year saw the inauguration of a Diocesan Choral Festival in Hongkong: an innovation which was hailed with pleasure by all lovers of music here and which met with such success that the underlying idea of having a festival annually was regarded as having been pretty well established on a solid basis. It was with a most laudable purpose that the movement was set on foot. Its promoters had in view the improvement of the diocesan choirs and the encouragement of the cultivation of classical music in the Colony generally. Such motive was bound to command support. This year, however, the chorus was much smaller than last for several reasons—it being representative of two choirs and not comprising by any means the full membership of either; the soloists were less, the soprano part being dependent entirely on one lady, who, however, accomplished all her work most ably; there was also no orchestra on this occasion. There is, however no need to apologise for the quality of the music rendered, as it was apparent that all present knew their parts were in good voice, and carefully watched the *button* of the conductor. The chorus might have been stronger, but the reason for any want of enthusiasm in regard to numbers is perhaps to be found in the position of affairs in general in the Colony as unfortunately at present prevail.

The following clergy were present:—Venerable

Archdeacon Banister, Rev. J. H. France, Rev.

E. H. Good, R.N., Rev. C. Moore, R.N.,

Rev. H. E. Roberts, R.N., Rev. H. R. Talbot,

Rev. T. Wright, Rev. W. J. Southam, and

Rev. F. T. Johnson, chaplain of S. John's.

J. S. Hagen, Quian, A. Seth, H. L. Stringer, H. P. Tooker; Misses G. Hause, R. Leykum, M. Seth, E. Shaw; Messrs. H. Bell, G. W. Coster, A. Cunningham, E. C. Emmett,

SUPREME COURT.

Tuesday, 20th January.

IN CRIMINAL JURISDICTION.

BEFORE HIS HONOUR SIR W. M. GOODMAN (CHIEF JUSTICE).

EXPOSING A CHILD.

Kwok Mui, a Yaumati woman, was charged with exposing a two-year-old infant, whereby its life was endangered and its health likely to be permanently injured.

She pleaded not guilty.

Mr. F. H. Sharp, K.C. (instructed by Mr. F. L. Hawley, Crown Solicitor), conducted the prosecution in the absence of Sir Henry S. Berkely, Attorney-General.

The following jury was empanelled:—Messrs. J. S. Perry, E. M. Hazeland, J. Wicker, A. Ramjahn, B. Enstace, V. C. Rozario, and J. M. Noronha.

Mr. Sharp said that the charge against the prisoner was one of exposing an infant child. The facts were simple. On the 6th of last month at 8 o'clock in the evening—at which time it was cold and there was a certain amount of rain falling—a constable on duty in Station Street, Yaumati, saw this woman throw a bundle down on the ground under the cover of a side verandah and run away. This proceeding aroused his suspicions and he ran after her, caught her and brought her back. Then he examined the bundle and it was found to contain an infant girl about a month old, wrapped in sacking or something of that sort. The constable took the woman and the bundle to the police station and the child was immediately sent to the Italian Convent at Yaumati and everything possible was done to revive it, but it died in the course of that night or early on the following morning. When arrested the woman stated that the child was not her child.

The police constable who arrested the woman was the first witness called; he gave evidence to the same effect as contained in Mr. Sharp's opening statement.

Dr. Hunter, who made a post-mortem examination of the child's body on the 8th December, stated that the child was in a condition of great emaciation; it was a very badly nourished child and in a delicate state of health. The immediate cause of death was diarrhoea. The exposure which the previous witness had spoken of would be sufficient to endanger the child's life and permanently injure its health.

A Chinese witness corroborated the constable's evidence.

Inspector D. Macdonald, Yaumati, gave formal evidence.

Among the other witness was the Yaumati Chinese interpreter, who deposed that when the woman was interrogated in the police station she stated that she did not put the child there. She had gone out to buy *sambu*, and was returning home when a man drew her attention to the child lying on the street. She informed a constable of the fact and he arrested her as having left the child there.

His Lordship, in summing up, said it rested with the jury to decide, upon the facts as put before them. Many of the jury, he pointed out, would be aware how little value was attached among a certain class of the population to female life among babies and children.

The jury unanimously found the prisoner guilty as charged.

His Lordship in passing sentence said he took into consideration that the prisoner was an ignorant Chinese woman and that as such she had probably been brought up to look upon it as a natural thing to get rid of a delicate female child by throwing it into a river or in some such way. But Chinese of her class must be educated and taught by example that this thing was not to be allowed with impunity where His Majesty's flag floated. The sentence would be six months' imprisonment with hard labour.

ARMED ROBBERY.

Chen Sze was charged with having at Mongkok, on 7th December, being then armed with a knife, robbed a shopkeeper and his wife of the sum of about \$90, a gold-mounted bangle, and a silver-gilt ring.

A plea of not guilty was tendered.

The following jury was empanelled:—Messrs. V. C. Rozario, Chau Choy, E. M. Hazeland, Li Wai Ching, A. Nilsson, B. Enstace, and E. J. Main.

In the absence of the Attorney-General, the Crown was represented by Mr. T. Morgan Phillips, barrister-at-law, who, in opening the case, stated that on the date in question the keeper of a drug-shop at 143, Mongkok was closing up for the night when a man came in ostensibly for the purpose of buying medicine.

He was closely followed by three other men, all Chinese; as soon as they got inside the shop, one of them produced a pistol, pointing it towards the shopkeeper, and another a large knife or cleaver, with which weapon the shopkeeper was also threatened.

The robbers told him not to make a noise, then got hold of him and took from his arm a large bangle, which was valued at \$50.

They afterwards took him into the back-room and tied his hands behind his back with fine wire. His wife also was attacked by these men, a ring was taken from her hand, and she was threatened not to make any noise.

Then the robbers searched the premises and found \$27 hidden in the bed and \$2 in the shop.

With all the stolen property they safely got away. Prisoner was recognised by a Chinese police constable about three weeks later in Des Voeux Road West and, out of twelve others, was identified by the shopkeeper and his wife as the robber who had held the knife.

After hearing evidence,

the jury returned a verdict of guilty.

His Lordship passed sentence of seven years imprisonment with hard labour, the prisoner to receive a whipping of 20 strokes with the birch within the first week.

The Court adjourned until to-day at 10 a.m., when two cases of arson are down for trial.

A fervid orator was denouncing the evils attendant on the use of tobacco. The lecture hall in a small American town was crowded, and an aged man in front of the audience was a source of considerable annoyance to the lecturer, especially by directing attention to himself whenever the lecturer proceeded to demonstrate the influence of alcohol in the direction of shortening life. "Look at me; look at me," continually shouted the interrupter. At length the orator grew weary and turning to his antagonist he said, "I know what you want to say. I suppose you are 87 years of age?"

"Ninety-five, sir!" "Very well, 95; and you've always smoked a pipe of tobacco before breakfast?" and never found that it did you any harm?"

"Yes, that's it." "Well, if you keep on this way, you'll never die, and if you did you would never be missed. I'm only speaking of shortening the lives of folks who would leave a gap. You'd just as well keep on smoking; nobody cares either way." The old man gasped, and the audience cheered.

PAKHOL.

FROM OUR CORRESPONDENT.

Pakhol, 13th January.

MORE TROOPS FOR KWANGSI.

The Chinese gunboat *Fok Pow* arrived from Canton on the 5th instant with another batch of six hundred braves for Hauchow and Kwangsi to check further advances of the rebels, who are reported to be mustering in strong force, well trained and provided with modern armaments.

DARING PIRATICAL ATTEMPT.

Early on the morning of the 6th instant, between 2 and 3 o'clock, shooting was heard in the harbour just opposite the Customs House.

About fifteen pirates, availing themselves of the stillness of the hour, the night being very dark and cold, boarded one of the fishing junks at anchor, compelling the small crew to keep quiet. The manoeuvre having been observed by some one on shore, however, the authorities were soon informed of it. A squad of twenty braves was despatched in boats to rescue the junk. On approaching the junk the braves fired several volleys, which had the effect of intimidating the pirates, who concealed themselves in the junk's hold until they were taken prisoners. A few of them, however, managed to escape, but eleven were captured and escorted to Limechow on the 7th to be dealt with.

EMIGRANTS TO MINTOK STOPPED.

An attempt has been made on the 3rd instant to send away to Mintok two junks overcrowded with emigrants.

The Commissioner of Customs, accompanied by a *Weighton*, paid a visit on board the junks to see whether things were properly arranged for a safe voyage. At the outset forty-four of the emigrants represented that they had been compelled to go. These were at once set free. As the junks were too small to carry the number of men on board, permission to leave was refused, and the emigrants were landed the following day, probably to be sent by steamer instead.

Later.

DECAPITATION OF THE PIRATES.

The clever pirates arrested on the 6th instant while attempting to capture a fishing junk in the harbour and sent to Limechow for trial are reported to have been decapitated.

"PHENIX" AT PAKHOL.

H.B.M. gunboat *Phenix* arrived here on the afternoon of the 10th instant and left this morning for a cruise.

POLICE COURT.

Tuesday, 20th January.

BEFORE MR. F. A. HAZELAND (POLICE MAGISTRATE).

THE QUARRY BAY RIOT.

Twenty coolies were charged on remand with (1) murder and (2) cutting and wounding with intent to murder at Quarry Bay on the 21st ult., when one Indian watchman was killed and seven others were injured in an attack upon them by a great crowd of coolies employed in the shipbuilding yard at Quarry Bay.

Mr. F. J. Buley, Captain Superintendent of Police, conducted the prosecution and examined the Indian watchman who were called as witnesses. These detailed the circumstances of the case as they have already been published, and identified all the defendants except one as having been concerned in the riot; the unidentified prisoner was discharged.

The case was again remanded.

BEFORE MR. J. H. KEMP (ACTING POLICE MAGISTRATE).

CRUELTY TO PIGS.

Tsang Shing, boatman, had a rough-and-ready way of discharging a cargo of pigs from his junk yesterday morning. When discovered by Lance-Sergeant Lee, he was standing on one tier of pigs and throwing the less weighty animals from one end of the boat to the other, whilst the heavier he rolled along the top of the living tier mentioned. During this process, too, some of the animals, all of which were enclosed in baskets, had been placed in an upright position on their heads.

The charge against the defendant of cruelty was sustained, and he was fined \$20 or a month.

THEFT FROM THE "HANDY."

On the complaint of the Lieutenant-commander Yung Kan, servant-boy, was charged with stealing \$90 from the messes of H.M.S. *Handy*, and, pleading guilty, was sentenced to four months' hard labour.

CHEFOO.

The *Chefoo Express* says:—

"The merchants of Chefoo, both foreign and native, are to be congratulated upon the outlook of trade for the coming year. During the past year a steady increase has taken place in all branches of business, resulting in greater developments in trade than can be found in any year previous. The imposition of a Custom's tariff upon imports into the Russian port of Vladivostock has tended to check trade in that direction, but it is to be hoped that this is only temporary, as there is every probability of the port being declared open to free trade in the near future. The native new treaty ports have increased their trade considerably, resulting in large consignments of goods being shipped to them during the past year, and it can be presumed that the opening of the spring season will again see a resumption of profitable trade."

Nothing perhaps indicates the growing importance and prosperity of a port more than the increase in value of land. This, as everybody is aware, has been considerable here, and the people who acquired property in or near the settlement a few years ago would be very loth to part with it now for a good many times the amount of the original cost. Several new firms have started during the year and this indicates a further expansion of trade. The Customs' jetties are nearly always full of cargo and enquiries from the examining staff of the Customs' office the news that they are always in full employment, and one need only pay the examining staff a visit to find out the truth of this statement. A casual glance along the quay will show that the passenger traffic still shows returns, as it is seldom that there is not a steamer in port discharging or loading a living freight."

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COMMODORE'S CUP.

The second race for the Commodore's Cup was sailed off on Saturday, the 17th inst., in light and variable winds. The course was from the Police Pier, Kowloon, to the rock S. W. of Cowichow Island, rounding it to port, and thence home. The following boats competed:—*Vernon*, *Alannah*, *Kathleen*, *Min*, *Colleen*, *Erica*, *Iris*, *Maid Marian*, *Doreen* and *Payne*. The start was made at 2 p.m. in a light north-easterly wind, *Colleen* crossing the line first, closely followed by the rest. Unfortunately, as soon as the little fleet had cleared the shipping they encountered one of those calms so frequent in these waters. Beyond it there was a nice breeze blowing from the south, but the question was how to get to the beyond. The *Min*, steering a central course, was the first to get the new breeze, and standing to the north of Green Island quickly left the fleet. The *Vernon*, *Alannah* and *Iris* were close together shortly afterwards, *Min* being just ahead. One long leg was all that was required to clear the point of Stonecutters' Point, *Kathleen*, holding a better wind than *Colleen*, worked out a short lead on her, but *Erica*, though sagging somewhat to leeward, sailed faster and reached Stonecutters' Point about 100 yards ahead. *Erica* then made the mistake of keeping too far to windward and gave away her lead to *Kathleen*, who rounded the buoy about 5 yards ahead of her. *Colleen* had been compelled to tack to clear the island, but rounded the buoy third. *Min* had been dropping steadily astern the whole way from the mark-boat and was last at the buoy, though not far behind *Bonito*, who had thrown away his chance of catching the leading boats by making an unnecessary tack. On the way to the mark-boat on the line *Colleen* kept well up to windward and sailing very fast gained considerably. *Erica*, just before reaching the mark caught and passed *Kathleen* again, but unfortunately in gybing took charge and apparently fouling the mark gave up the race. This left *Kathleen* and *Colleen* to fight for first place, the other two being well astern. After rounding the mark-boat *Colleen* came up on *Kathleen* and the two ran dead level to the Fairway Buoy, *Kathleen* having inside berth this time. *Colleen*, however, was better handled, and rounding very smartly swung up to windward of *Kathleen* and obtained a slight lead. On the last boat *Kathleen* again got away and finally won one of the best races of the season by a little under a minute from *Colleen*. *Min* some way astern was third. But for *Erica*'s unfortunate accident the finish would have been even more interesting, and seeing how well she was sailing she would very likely have won the race.

The official times were:—

	H.	M.	S.	Pts.	Total
<i>Kathleen</i>	4	42	31	10	25
<i>Colleen</i>	4	43	25	4	18
<i>Min</i>	4	46	32	1	19
<i>Bonito</i>	4	45	30	0	15
<i>Erica</i>	0	15

2ND CLASS.

In the 2nd class *Chanticleer* sailed by Mr. C. H. Kew showed what a good boat she still is, and taking the best of a good start was never headed throughout the race. *Maid Marian* and *Iris* both steamed out of form, for they could do nothing with *Doreen*. *Payne* made at least one unnecessary tack, or with her 11 minutes handicap she would have been very near winning.

The official times were:—

	H.	M.	S.	Corrected time.	Pts.	Total
<i>Chanticleer</i>	4	56	5	4 53 5	10	11
<i>Doreen</i>	5	37	47	6 37	4	16
<i>Maid Marian</i>	5	2	5	5 1 5	0	11
<i>Iris</i>	5	6	59	scratch	0	34
<i>Payne</i>	5	9	0	4 58 0	1	26

LATE TELEGRAMS.

NEWS VIA SHANGHAI AND JAPAN.

BRITAIN AND RUSSIA IN PERSIA.

London, 7th January.

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Hongkong, 6th September, 1902. [3239]

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Hongkong, 20th December, 1902. [105]

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Hongkong, 25th November, 1902. [3195]

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Hongkong, 21st January, 1903. [314]

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Hongkong, 21st January, 1903. [313]

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Hongkong, 5th January, 1903. [161]

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Hongkong, 5th January, 1903. [160]

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Harbour Master, &c.

Harbour Department,

Hongkong, 13th January, 1903. [271]

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PETYORYA REGULAR MEETING of the
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PETYORY will be held at the FREE-
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for 9 P.M. precisely. Visiting Sir Knights are
cordially invited to attend.

Hongkong, 29th January, 1903.

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THE KOWLOON LAND AND BUILD-
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FOURTEENTH ORDINARY MEETING
of SHAREHOLDERS in this
Company will be held at the COMPANY'S
OFFICES, Victoria Buildings, on MONDAY,
the 2nd FEBRUARY, 1903, at 12 o'clock
Noon, for the purpose of receiving the Report
of the Directors together with Statement of
Accounts for the year ending 31st December,
1902.THE REGISTER of SHARES of
the Company will be CLOSED from SATURDAY,
the 24th JANUARY, to MONDAY, the 2nd
FEBRUARY (both days inclusive), during
which period no Transfer of Shares can be
registered.A. SHELTON HOOVER,
Secretary to the
Hongkong Land Investment and Agency
Company, Limited.General Agents for
The Kowloon Land and Building
Company, Limited.

Hongkong, 20th January, 1903.

PUBLIC COMPANIES
THE WEST POINT BUILDING
COMPANY, LIMITED.NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN that the
FOURTEENTH ORDINARY MEETING
of SHAREHOLDERS in this
Company will be held at the COMPANY'S
OFFICES, Victoria Buildings, on MONDAY,
the 26th JANUARY, 1903, at 11.45 o'clock A.M.,
for the purpose of receiving the Report of the
Directors together with Statement of Accounts for
the year ending 31st December, 1902.THE REGISTER of SHARES of the
Company will be CLOSED from SATUR-
DAY, the 17th JANUARY, to MONDAY,
the 26th JANUARY (both days inclusive),
during which period no Transfer of Shares can be
registered.By Order of the Board of Directors,
A. SHELTON HOOVER,
Secretary to the
Hongkong Land Investment and Agency
Company, Limited.General Agents for
The West Point Building Co., Ltd.
Hongkong, 7th January, 1903.THE HONGKONG LAND INVESTMENT
AND AGENCY COMPANY, LIMITED.NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN that the
FIFTEENTH ORDINARY MEETING
of SHAREHOLDERS in this Company will be held at the COMPANY'S OFFICES
Victoria Buildings, on MONDAY, the 26th
JANUARY, 1903, at 12 o'clock NOON, for the
purpose of receiving the Report of the Directors
together with Statement of Accounts for the
year ending 31st December, 1902.THE REGISTER of SHARES of the
Company will be CLOSED from SATUR-
DAY, the 17th JANUARY, to MONDAY,
the 26th JANUARY (both days inclusive),
during which period no Transfer of Shares can be
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A. SHELTON HOOVER,
Secretary.

Hongkong, 7th January, 1903.

THE HONGKONG LAND RECLAMA-
TION COMPANY, LIMITED.NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN that the
SECOND ORDINARY MEETING
of SHAREHOLDERS in this Company will be held at the COMPANY'S OFFICES
Victoria Buildings, on MONDAY, the 26th
JANUARY, 1903, at 12.30 o'clock p.m., for
the purpose of receiving the Report of the
Directors, together with a Statement of
Accounts for the period ending 31st December, 1902.THE REGISTER of SHARES of the
Company will be CLOSED from MONDAY,
the 19th January to MONDAY, the 26th
January (both days inclusive) during which
period no Transfer of Shares can be registered.By Order of the Board of Directors,
MOWBRAY S. NORTHCOFE,
Secretary.

Hongkong, 13th January, 1903.

THE HONGKONG, CANTON AND MACAO
STEAMBOAT COMPANY, LIMITED.NOTICE TO SHAREHOLDERS.
THE SEVENTY-THIRD ORDINARY
HALF-YEARLY MEETING of
SHAREHOLDERS in the Company will be held at the OFFICE of the Company, No. 18, Bank Buildings, Queen's Road Central, on SATURDAY, the 7th FEBRUARY, at 12 o'clock NOON, for the purpose of receiving a Report of the Directors, together with a Statement of Accounts, declaring a Dividend, confirming the appointment of a Director, and electing Auditors.

THE TRANSFER BOOKS of the Company will be CLOSED from the 24th of JANUARY to the 7th FEBRUARY, inclusive.

By Order of the Board of Directors,
T. ARNOLD,
Secretary.

Hongkong, 17th January, 1903.

THE HONGKONG, CANTON AND MACAO
STEAMBOAT COMPANY, LIMITED.NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN that an
EXTRAORDINARY GENERAL
MEETING of the HONGKONG, CANTON
AND MACAO STEAMBOAT COMPANY,
LIMITED, will be held at the COMPANY'S
OFFICES in Bank Buildings, Victoria,
Hongkong, on SATURDAY, the 7th
FEBRUARY, 1903, at 12.15 o'clock, P.M., or
so soon as the Ordinary Half-Yearly
Meeting to be held at 12 o'clock Noon
on that day shall be concluded, when the
subjoined Resolution will be proposed. Should
the Resolution be passed by the required
majority it will be submitted for confirmation
as a Special Resolution to a Second Extra-
ordinary Meeting which will be subsequently
convened.

Mr. Gallop.

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to be with her.(a) In Article 79 the word "nine" shall be
substituted for the word "seven".(b) In Article 88 the words "nine thou-
sand" shall be substituted for the
words "seven thousand."By Order of the Board of Directors,
T. ARNOLD,

Secretary.

Hongkong, 17th January, 1903.

THE PUNJOM MINING COMPANY,
LIMITED.NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN that, at
a Meeting of the Board of Directors
of the Company, held at the Company's Office,
No. 13, Bleasden's Arcade, Victoria, Hong-
kong, on Monday, the 5th of January, 1903,
the following Resolution was passed:—"That in pursuance of the Special Resolu-
tion passed on the 11th day of
November, 1902, and confirmed on the
25th day of November, 1902, a Call of
Fifty Cents per Share be made upon
all Holders of Ordinary Shares in the
above Company, and the same is
hereby made. Such a call to be paid to
the Hongkong and Shanghai Banking
Corporation at their Premises,
Queen's Road Central, Victoria,
Hongkong, on or before the 9th day
of February, 1903."AND NOTICE IS ALSO GIVEN that in
accordance with Article 24 of the Company's
Articles of Association, Interest at the rate of
\$10 per centum per Annum will be charged
upon all Calls remaining unpaid after the 9th
day of February, 1903, up to the actual date
of payment of the same.Shareholders are requested to note that, upon
presentation at the Office of the Company of the
Bankers Receipt for payment of the Call
and surrender of existing Certificates of the
Shares pertaining thereto, new Share Certi-
ficates will be issued bearing an endorsement
of the payment of the sum called.By Order of the Board of Directors,
W. KEEFOOT HUGHES,
Secretary.

Hongkong, 6th January, 1903.

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CHRIS OF ALL-SORTS,

BY
S. BARING-GOULD,
Author of "Mehulah," "John Herring," &c.

CHAPTER VI.

THE YEMAN.

Lend thy serious hearing
To what I shall unfold.

Hamlet Act I, Sc. 5.

During the day, Mr. Gallop walked over with
the Court, and had an interview with the
legal adviser of the personage who represented
herself as Lady Fenton.It was not probable, the rector said, that
Tremewan would be able to come over to the
parsonage till evening.Mr. Gallop returned with very little, or no
satisfaction, to his client or himself. He had
found Mr. Starkie, the solicitor from Wynstead,
quite prepared to meet him, and to answer en-
quiries.He had shown Mr. Gallop the certificate
of the marriage of Sir John Fenton with
Eliza Smith, before a registrar in London, and
date of the birth and baptism of the boy at
Wynstead. Now the only thing unusual about
that was that in neither case had Sir John
been given his title, but had been described
simply as "gentleman." "The only bit of advice
I can give," said Mr. Gallop to the Captain,
"is not very professional, and that is to swallow
your disappointment, and put on it as good a
face as you can. We will, however, await the
battle, and see whether what he has to tell will
afford any additional light."Tremewan did not arrive until the night after
dinner, when the gentlemen were sitting over
the fire with their glasses of wine and cigarettes.
During the meal, Fenton had labouredto make himself agreeable to Mrs. Hindley, but
the labour had been apparent. He was crushed
by what he had heard. For years he had hoped
for, of late had calculated on, the succession to
the honours and estate of his uncle. Not a
whisper had reached him to the effect that the
old gentleman was married and had issue male.
For some years he had entertained a fear lest
Sir John should take it into his head, in old age
to marry, but as time went on, and the bachelor
became more of a religious crank, and retreated
more and more from society, this fear gave way
to confidence. And now he found all his ex-
pectations dashed to the ground like a house
of cards, a house he was smitten by his misfortune.The solicitor, who was not so touched, was in
a conversational mood, told his good stories,
kept the ball rolling, and when Mrs. Hindley
withdrew, plunged into politics with the rector
and left Fenton to his grocery meditations.It was plain to his prospects all chance of a recon-
ciliation with Christine was gone. To him it
was a relief when the servant entered the
dining-room to announce that Mr. Tremewan
had arrived, and would like to speak to her
master."How like him in Susan—how like him in Susan,"
said Mr. Hindley, and next moment the butler en-
tered, wearing a light paletot over his black
suit.He was a broad-shouldered man, with that
respectable cast of face, which a butler culti-
vates as a part of his stock in trade. He wore
grey whiskers, but was otherwise clean-shaven.
A servant's face is hard to read, for he wears a
mask habitually, yet through the visor looked
a pair of unmistakably honest eyes."Sit down, Tremewan," said the Rector;
"sit down and have a glass of port. Captain
Fenton and Mr. Gallop will be interested in
what you have to say, and so indeed shall I. For
I was struck all of a heap by the appearance at
the Court. I might have expected to encounter
the traditional ghostly Grey Lady, but I was
unprepared for the Lady in Black. I might
have had the first, but the other requires other
exorcisms than I can find between the leaves of
my prayer-book. Sit down pray.""Thank you, sir. I would rather stand,"
replied the butler, "and I am at the service of
the gentlemen for an hour. After I must be
back, or there will be inquiries about me, as to
where I have been. That lawyer who came
with my lady is suspicious.""Well, Tremewan, tell us all you can about
this strange matter.""If you will allow me, sir, I will begin at the
beginning.""Certainly, don't take hold of a ferret by the
tail," said the lawyer."Then, gentlemen, I b-e-l-e-v-e it all commenced
with Sir John having his portrait taken in
London, by a distinguished artist whose name I
forget, but which could easily be ascertained.
There, I believe he met occasionally, perhaps
frequently, an artist's model, either sitting
when he arrived, or going away; somehow they
did contrive to come across one another with
increased frequency, and an intimacy sprang
up, and Sir John fell desperately in love, and
proposed to marry her.""There is no f of old like an old fool," observed
Mr. Gallop."Yes, sir; but Sir John was not quite such a
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Secretary.

Hongkong, 17th January, 1903.

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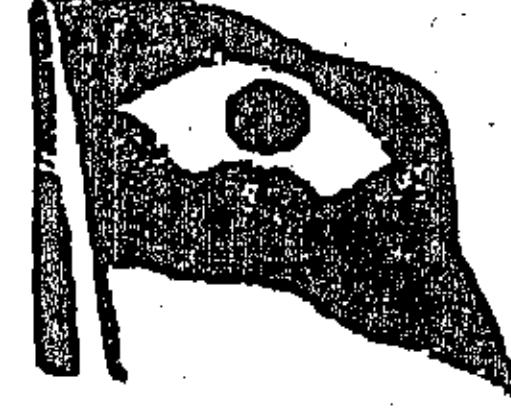
1. From Green Island to the Harbour Master's.
2. From Harbour Master's to Blake Pier.

3. From Blake Pier to Naval Yard.
4. From Naval Yard to East Point.

DESTINATION	VESSEL'S NAME	FLAG & BIG	BERTH	CAPTAIN	FOR FREIGHT APPLY TO	TO BE DESPATCHED
LONDON, &c. via PORTS OF CALL	CRUSAN	Brit. str.	—	C. L. Daniel	P. & O. S. N. Co.	On 31st inst. at Noon.
LONDON	TELEMACHUS	Brit. str.	—		BUTTERFIELD & SWIRE	On 7th February.
LONDON	PROMETHEUS	Brit. str.	—		BUTTERFIELD & SWIRE	On 17th February.
LONDON	DIONE	Brit. str.	—		BUTTERFIELD & SWIRE	On 3rd March.
LONDON	MACHAON	Brit. str.	—		BUTTERFIELD & SWIRE	On 17th March.
LIVERPOOL	TYDEUS	Brit. str.	—		BUTTERFIELD & SWIRE	On 24th inst.
LIVERPOOL	DARDANUS	Brit. str.	—		NIPPON YUSEN KAISHA	On 24th inst. at Daylight.
MARSEILLES, LONDON & ANTWERP V. SPORE, &c.	BINGO MARU	Jap. str.	—	F. Davies	MESSAGERIES MARITIMES	On 26th inst. at 1 P.M.
MARSEILLES, &c. via PORTS OF CALL	CALCEDONIAN	Jap. str.	—	Komes	NIPPON YUSEN KAISHA	On 7th Feb. at Daylight.
MARSEILLES & ANTWERP V. SPORE, &c.	TAMIA MARU	Jap. str.	—	J. W. Wale	BUTTERFIELD & SWIRE	On 20th February.
FRANKFURT, via PORTS OF CALL	PYRRHUS	Brit. str.	2 m.	G. Dammann	MELCHERS & CO.	To-day at Noon.
HAVRE & HAMBURG	PHINNZESSE ILLENE	Ger. str.	—	Duckstein	HAMBURG-AMERIKA LINIE	On 3rd February.
HAVRE & AMBURG	AMBRIA	Ger. str.	—	v. Binsen	HAMBURG-AMERIKA LINIE	On 17th February.
HAVRE & HAMBURG	WURZBURG	Ger. str.	—	Fuchs	HAMBURG-AMERIKA LINIE	On 3rd March.
HAVRE & HAMBURG	C. FERD. LAEISZ	Ger. str.	—	Kirchner	HAMBURG-AMERIKA LINIE	On 17th March.
HAMBURG	ANDALUSIA	Ger. str.	—	von Doehren	HAMBURG-AMERIKA LINIE	On 24th inst.
HAMBURG	BNNEIN	Brit. str.	—	Clark	GIBB, LIVINGSTON & CO.	On 24th inst. at Daylight.
HAMBURG	TIROL	Aust. str.	—	Bretfeld	SANDER, WIELER & CO.	On 26th inst. at 1 P.M.
HAMBURG	HINDUSTAN	Brit. str.	—	Eastbrook	DODWELL & CO. LTD.	On 20th February.
HAMBURG	INDIADEO	Brit. str.	—	D. Morris	JARDINE, MATHESON & CO.	On or about 10th February.
HAMBURG	GHIBRATAE	Brit. str.	—		SHewan, TOME & CO.	On or about 14th February.
HAMBURG	EMPEROR OF INDIA	Brit. str.	—		CANADIAN PACIFIC R. CO.	On 11th February, at Noon.
HAMBURG	TARTAR	Brit. str.	2 m.		CANADIAN PACIFIC R. CO.	On 25th February.
HAMBURG	PLEIADES	Brit. str.	2 m.	F. G. Purington	DODWELL & CO. LTD.	On 7th February.
HAMBURG	PAKING	Brit. str.	—		BUTTERFIELD & SWIRE	On 24th inst.
HAMBURG	KAGA MARU	Jap. str.	—	G. Andeson	NIPPON YUSEN KAISHA	On 27th inst. at 4 P.M.
HAMBURG	INDRAVELLI	Brit. str.	2 m.	W. C. Craven	PORTLAND & ASIATIC S. S. CO.	On 30th inst. at 4 P.M.
HAMBURG	YAWATA MARU	Jap. str.	—	A. E. Moses	NIPPON YUSEN KAISHA	On 5th February, at Noon.
HAMBURG	TRINAN	Brit. str.	—	Helms	BUTTERFIELD & SWIRE	On 16th February.
HAMBURG	FORMOSA	Brit. str.	—	B. H. W. Snow	P. & O. S. N. CO.	On or about 27th inst.
HAMBURG	MALTA	Brit. str.	—	C. L. W. Field	P. & O. S. N. CO.	On or about 1st February.
HAMBURG	KAGOSHIMA MARU	Jap. str.	—	K. Kori	NIPPON YUSEN KAISHA	On 25th inst. at Noon.
HAMBURG	AWA MARU	Jap. str.	—	N. Trent	NIPPON YUSEN KAISHA	On 30th inst. at Daylight.
HAMBURG	KASUGA MARU	Jap. str.	—	H. Fraser	BUTTERFIELD & SWIRE	On 23rd inst. at Noon.
HAMBURG	HUPFER	Brit. str.	—	P. G. Gossel	MELCHERS & CO.	To-morrow.
HAMBURG	STUTTGART	Brit. str.	—	T. W. Groves	OSAKA SHOSEN KAISHA	Quick despatch.
HAMBURG	DAIOI MARU	Jap. str.	—	T. Saito	OSAKA SHOSEN KAISHA	On 27th inst.
HAMBURG	MAIDSVILLE MAGU	Jap. str.	1 m.	I. Goto	OSAKA SHOSEN KAISHA	To-day.
HAMBURG	ANTING MARU	Jap. str.	1 m.	Ronch	DOUGLAS LAPRAIK & CO.	On 28th inst.
HAMBURG	HAIKAN	Brit. str.	—	Gibson	DOUGLAS LAPRAIK & CO.	On 23rd inst. at Daylight.
HAMBURG	HAILOONG	Brit. str.	—	R. Redger	BUTTERFIELD & SWIRE	To-day.
HAMBURG	KAIPONG	Brit. str.	—	E. P. Bishop	SHewan, TOME & CO.	To-morrow.
HAMBURG	SUNGKIAH	Brit. str.	—	P. H. Rolfe	TOTO KISEN KAISHA	On 23rd inst. at Noon.
HAMBURG	ZAFIRO	Brit. str.	—	R. W. Almond	JARDINE, MATHESON & CO.	On 23rd inst. at 4 P.M.
HAMBURG	ROHILIA MARU	Jap. str.	2 m.	C. R. Longdon, R. N. R.	SHewan, TOME & CO.	On 28th inst. at Noon.
HAMBURG	YUENSANG	Brit. str.	—		BUTTERFIELD & SWIRE	On 18th February.
HAMBURG	RUBI	Brit. str.	—		P. & O. S. N. CO.	On or about 24th inst.
HAMBURG	THINAN	Brit. str.	—	J. Nagao	NIPPON YUSEN KAISHA	On 27th inst. at Noon.

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GLASGOW and LIVERPOOL	"ACHILLES"	On 19th February.

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LONDON	"TELEMACHUS"	On 7th February.
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LONDON	"MACHAON"	On 17th March.

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FOR	STEAMERS	TO SAIL
LIVERPOOL	"TYDEUS"	On 24th January.
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CEBU and ILOILO	"KAI FONG"	On 21st January.
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PROPOSED SAILINGS FROM HONGKONG—SUBJECT TO ALTERATION.		
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TAMSUI, VIA SWATOW	"DAIJIN MARU"	SUNDAY, 1st
AND AMOY	T. OGATA	FEbruary.
ANPING, VIA SWATOW	"MAIDZUEU MARU"	WEDNESDAY, 21st
AND AMOY	T. SAITO	JANUARY.
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